

Thoroughly Stylish Dress Goods

Moderately Low-Priced

Black Dress Goods.

Volles, crisp to the touch, perfect black, 50c, 60c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00.

Plain Volles, new and stylish, \$2.25

Shadow Volles, distinctively new, \$2.00

Embroidered Batiste, \$1.50

Embroidered Crepe de Chine, \$1.00

Panama Cloth, 50c, 55c, \$1.00

Broadcloths, \$1.00 to \$4.00

Mohairs, 50c to \$1.50

Silk and Wool Bouffantes, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$2.00

Wool Henriettas, 50c to \$1.25

New Neckwear.

New Turnover Collars, entirely new ideas—

12 1-2c for the 25c kind.

10c for the 35c kind.

New Collar and Cuff Sets of Swiss, Linen and Lace, new and tasty ideas, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00 to \$5.00.

New Revere Sets of Lace, P. K., Linen, etc., 50c to \$10.00

New Tailored Stocks, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00

New Veilings.

New Clifton, Tuxedo and Magpie Veilings; New Lace Veils.

Colored Dress Goods.

Imported Plaid Suitings, in all the correct, new spring shadings, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.50

New Gray Suitings, in stylish checks and plaids, \$1.00, \$1.10, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00

Panama, all wool, two shades of gray, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50

Imported Novelties, Our Exclusive Designs.

Fancy Volles, very light weight and thin.

Plaid Volles, \$1.75 and \$2.00

Black Volles, \$2.00

Striped Volles, \$2.25

Embroidered Batistes, new and very stylish, \$1.75

Mohairs, plain and plaid gray effects, 50c to \$1.50

Wool Batiste, all colors, 50c, 75c, \$1.00

Wool Henriettas, all colors, 50c and \$1.00

Silk Warp Henriettas, \$1.35

Eolienues, all colors, \$1.00

Volles, all colors, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25

Cream Serges, Panamas, Volles, Henriettas, Mohairs and Sicilians, yard, 50c to \$1.50

J. B. Mosby & Co.

Spring and Summer 1906 And We Are Entirely Ready

We invite you now to inspect our new and complete spring and summer stock. We have been months gathering this collection. The foremost manufacturers of two continents have contributed to this showing. Everything that this just-right-for-the-season wear is here in the greatest possible variety and marked at prices that will make them quick movers.

Kid Gloves.

From the World's Best Makers, and Marked at the Lowest Prices.

Our \$1.00 Kid Glove

fitted and guaranteed at our glove counter, for style, quality and real worth is unapproached, and the correct shadings in tan, heaver, mode, gray, and black and white.

8-button White Washable Chamolli Glove, new and thoroughly stylish, \$1.75

12-button Glace Gloves, in white, black, navy, plum, tan and gray, \$2.50

16-button Glace Gloves, in white, black, tan, gray, pastel, Alice, lilac, heliotrope, pink and light blue, \$3.00

12 and 16-button Silk, in white and black, and in all street and evening shades, 75c, \$1.00

New Laces

New Baby Irish, French Irish, Cluny and Net Top Allovers, in new and tasty patterns, yard, \$1.00 to \$12.00

Bands, Edges and Festoons to match.

New Batiste Allovers, with medallions of baby Irish and Anglals work, \$1.50 to \$12.00

New Batiste, Baby Irish and Linen Bands, 50c to \$4.75

New Val. Lace, piece, 35c to \$9.00

New Embroideries

New Swiss Embroideries, with bands to match.

New Batiste Embroideries, with baby Irish bands to match.

New Medallions of Swiss and Batiste.

New All-over Embroideries of Swiss Batiste, etc.

New Flouncings of Swiss and Nainsook, 50c, 75c to \$3.98

Bands to match.

New Wash Goods

Printed Organdies, fine and very sheer, new and tasty patterns and colorings, 12 1-2c, 19c, 25c, 37 1-2c.

Printed Silk Moussalines and Tissues, in new and very effective patterns and colorings, 25c, 35c, 50c.

Pompa dour Moussalines, new and very effective, 50c.

Eolienues, half silk, soft and shimmery, 39c, 50c.

Crepe de Chines, light weight, all colors, 50c.

Efleuer, the cotton novelty, shown only here, 50c.

Silk Homespun, 59c.

Durhar Silk, 69c.

Linen Suitings, 12 1-2c, 20c, 37 1-2c and 50c.

Embroidered Linens, new and very stylish, 75c.

Embroidered and Eyelet-work Zephyrs, a decided novelty, 95c.

Printed Point d'Esprit, large floral designs, \$1.25.

New White Goods

Mercerized Batiste, 40 inches wide, soft and clingy—

The 35c kind, 25c.

The 25c kind, 17c.

Checked Organdies, fine and sheer; value, 25c; special, 12 1-2c.

Embroidered Dotted Swisses, fine pin dots; value, 25c; special, 15c.

Linen Lawn, full yard wide, all pure linen; value, 40c; special, 29c.

Linen Lawn, full yard wide, all linen, 25c.

Handkerchief Lawn, all linen, fine and sheer; value, 50c; special, 35c.

Embroidered Swisses, figures, stripes and plaids, 35c to \$1.00.

Mercerized Fancies, neat and tasty designs, 19c, 25c, 39c.

Eyelet-work Swisses, entirely new ideas, \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.50.

Correct New Silks. Immense Varieties. Lowest Prices.

Fancy Taffetas and Louisines, in dots, stripes, figures and neat plaids, all the new spring shades, 75c, 85c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50

Pompadour Taffetas, new and stylish designs and colorings, for street or evening wear, 85c to \$1.75

Crepe de Chines, all silk, and in every wanted shade, 50c, 60c, \$1.00 and \$1.50

French Hand Made Suits.

The top-notch of Silk excellence, blue and white and black and white checks and stripes, guaranteed to wear, will not tear or break, \$1.25

27-inch White Japanese Silk, all silk, good weight, value 50c; special, 30c

New Wash Silks, 45c

Bond Taffetas, all colors, wear guaranteed, 85c

Bond Suitings, all colors, wear guaranteed, \$1.25

Rajah All Silk, the silk favorite, all new and staple shadings, \$1.25

Black Taffetas, full yard, all pure silk, rich, perfect black; sensational values at, \$1.00, \$1.15, \$1.20, \$1.30, \$1.50

Taffetas, heavy weight, are pure silk, every shade and black and white, 50c

High-Grade Corsets at Cut Prices

Broken lines from our regular stock at half prices.

\$11.99 All Whalebone French Corset Corsets, now, \$5.00

\$5.00 Reinforced Belt French Corset Corsets, now, \$3.75

\$3.00 Reinforced Belt French Corset Corsets, now, \$1.98

\$2.00 Hose Supporters Batiste Corsets, now, \$1.50

\$1.50 Hose Supporters Batiste Corsets, now, \$1.00

Correct New Elegance In Tailored Attire.

Swell New Suits. Four Specially Attractive Ones.

AT \$29.50.—Very Stylish Suits, made of fancy gray mixtures, 25-inch coats, trimmed with self-stitched bands and fancy buttons; skirts made seven-gore, with platted panel in front. A thoroughly stylish suit. \$29.50

AT \$35.00.—Very Nobby Pony Jacket Suits, of English Tweeds, fancy checks and stripes, and Clifton Panamas; coats made with fancy vests of Persian trimming, and trimmed with buttons; skirts are made circular, umbrella and fifteen-gore effect. \$35.00

AT \$45.00.—Very Stylish Suits of Clifton Panama; colors, light gray, Alice blue, tan, reseda and old rose; Eton jackets, made pleated with vest of taffeta, trimmed with baby Irish lace and fancy braids, sleeves elbow length, with turnback cuffs, and finished at bottom with pleating of lace; skirts are made circular, with two large tucks at bottom.

AT \$59.50.—Very Stylish and High-Grade Suits of Voile; colors, black, navy, reseda, violet, gray, Alice blue and white; Eton jackets, tucked back and front, vest and collar trimmed with fancy braid and narrow pleatings of white taffeta; skirts made tucked, with handsome silk drape.

Semi Made Robes.

New, rich and tasty designs of Embroidered Batiste, in pink, light blue, white and Alice blue—

\$12.50, \$17.50, \$19.50, \$24.50

New Lawn Waists.

A Nicely Made, Perfect Fitting Lawn Waist, 19c

25 styles of Lawn Waists, trimmed with Val or embroidery, button in back or front, \$1.50

Waists at, \$1.98, \$2.50 and \$2.98

High Grade Waists of fine batiste or linen, beautifully made and hand embroidered, \$5.98, \$6.98, \$10.00 and \$12.50

New Tailored Skirts.

AT \$5.98.—A Nicely Made Skirt of fancy mixtures, pleated panel front; the material used are black and navy serge and Panamas

AT \$10.00.—A Very Stylish Skirt of black Panama, made seventeen gore, full flare and trimmed at bottom with stitched bands.

AT \$12.50.—Fashionably Made Skirts of cream and gray striped cloth, made with alternating wide and narrow gores and trimmed with lengthwise stitched bands and small buttons.

Tailored Coats.

21-inch Strictly Tailored Tan Coat of velum cloth, \$24.50

Very Stylish Tan Coat Cloth Jackets, collar trimmed with velvet and moire, \$12.50

Very Natty Coat Cloth Box Coats at \$17.50

Suits! Coats! Skirts!

The balance of our winter stock at half and less than half price. If you want a bargain, come early and take your pick of these:

\$17.50 and \$29.00 Suits, now, \$7.98

\$25.00, \$32.50 and \$35.00 Suits, now, \$15.00

\$39.50 Suits, now, \$19.50

\$45.00 and \$49.50 Suits, now, \$25.00

\$4.98 Silk Petticoats, now, \$2.98

\$10.00 Children's Coats, now, \$2.98

\$12.50 Ladies' Coats, now, \$7.98

\$10.00 and \$12.50 Skirts, now, \$5.98

\$15.00 and \$29.00 Skirts, now, \$9.98

New Dress Trimmings.

Gray Embroidered Appliques, with touches of silver, \$2.75, \$3.98 and \$8.98

Embroidered Appliques, in light blue, pink, reseda, Alice blue and tans, \$4.98 and \$8.98

Cream Lace Bands, with colored hand embroidery, \$5.98 and \$7.50

Black Embroidered Chiffons, in new designs and in all widths, 98c to \$10.00

Black and White Burnt-out Silk Appliques, in all widths, \$3.50 to \$8.50

Gold and Silver lace, per yard, 20c

Gold and Silver Cords, all sizes, 15c to 50c

Gold and Silver Gauze, with colored embroidery, \$1.50 to \$4.00

Large Gilt Buttons, dull and bright, 50c, 75c, \$1.00

Small Jewel Buttons, in Rhinestone, Coral, Amethyst and Emerald, per dozen, 65c

Gummetal and Old Gold Buttons, with and without colored sets, per dozen, \$0.00 to \$4.00

Oriental Rugs, 9 Carpet Sizes at Summer Prices.

If You Are Interested, Here's a Bargain.

1 Muskhahad, 12x10.6; special, \$164.50

1 Muskhahad, 14x10.6; special, \$173.50

1 Serapi, 13x10.6; special, \$205.00

1 Serapi, 13x9.6; special, \$260.00

1 Mohal, 14x10; special, \$129.50

1 Mohal, 14x10; special, \$223.50

1 Kellie, 11x5.5; special, \$159.50

1 Kellie, 12x8.5; special, \$175.00

1 Kellie, 12x8.5; special, \$175.00

A New Summer Rug, Sherran Brussels

An entirely new fabric, double warp, solid woven throughout, insuring durability and color, at reasonable prices.

6x9 ft. \$7.50

9x12 ft. \$15.00

7x10.6 ft. \$11.00

12x15 ft. \$22.50

China Mattings.

Fancy, 15c

Fancy Jointless, 17 1-2c

Fancy Jointless, 22 1-2c

White Jointless, 25c

Hodges Original

Hof Fiber Rugs

New patterns just in. This is the ideal summer floor covering.

6x9 feet, \$6.75

7x10.6 feet, \$8.75

9x12 feet, \$11.50

12x15 feet, \$18.50

Japanese Mattings.

Fancy, 15c, 20c, 25c

Stenciled, 20c, 25c, 30c

Fancy Inlaid, 25c, 30c, 35c

Plain White, 20c, 25c, 30c

Solid Colors, 30c, 35c, 40c

Hodges's Hof Fiber Mattings, 45c, 50c, 75c

Fairbrother's Fancies.

Being Some Suggestions on Things We See

This is an age of theories. There is nothing much in science that is a fixed fact—unless it happens to be the rule of mathematics; and I wouldn't be surprised if one of these days some fellow didn't come along and prove that two and two do not make four. And I am about to say that in all the theories recently put out, the germ theory appears to me to be one of the most reasonable. However, this does not carry with it the proposition that there is any medicine that will kill germs. I am simply taking a new view of the germ in the abstract, and presenting a Times-Dispatch reader a theory I have long cherished.

I have read, and we all have read, many books on Napoleon. Some have landed him to the skies, others have rusted him to a finish. Some have named him the human butcher—others have written him the greatest military genius the world has ever known. Because he wore a uniform and carried a sword he was placed among the distinguished of earth—but I am going to set up the notion that he was a germ. He was brought into the world to do certain things, and he purified the country where he worked. When the Black Plague sent its millions to their graves—it was merely a germ in motion. It accomplished a purpose, all for some good reason, and the Black Plague has not appeared with its devastation for many years. And yet no one ever wrote a book playing the Black Plague up as a genius—but it was. It did stunts that were greater in its line than disease has ever done. Had Napoleon been anything but a germ in pants he never could have accomplished what he did accomplish, and this is not saying anything against him or for him. It is merely suggesting that it is possible for human germs to exist and would uniforms and carry swords and do things. Those who think this over and do not see clearly what I am trying to prove will be furnished a chart upon application.

It is frequently the case that, when some fellow brother strikes the ceiling, figuratively speaking, we hear some one who believes in neat quotations, telling us that "whoso digeth a pit shall fall therein," and then they let it go at that. But those who quote should remember that oftentimes a man falls in a pit that he did not dig. The world is too prone to believe that a man voluntarily goes wrong when he does go wrong, but if we will take time to figure it out, we must conclude that it is quite often the case that some one who is not suspected digs a pit for the other fellow. It is a very easy matter in this world for a man to fall. He may go down because of his own folly, and often does, but many times he is the victim of the thing called fortune; the victim of the thing called fate; the victim of the thing called envy. There are some of these thin bear traps, and some of them are set for men. Whenever I see a fellow hard hit by the Fates, I

been held legally or morally responsible—but everything he touched, or reached for, vanished. He was in the pit, all right—but he hadn't dug it, nor had any particular person dug it for him.

But speaking of what changes will come in a man's life, it is almost impossible to realize what is possible. Long back nearly twenty years ago there was a great campaign on in Nebraska. The Republicans of the First Congressional District had nominated the Honorable Church Howe for Congress, and there was disruption in the Republican party. Howe was accused of being a corporation man, and the Farmers' Alliance was strong there in those days, and John A. McShane, of Omaha, was nominated by the Democratic party to defeat Howe. He had ample means to make a campaign that would be interesting to the railroads, and the fight was a furious one. On the day before the election Howe lined up at Lincoln and was to make a great parade. He was in a carriage drawn by six white horses—had bands of music—and Charles E. Magoon was his chief fugueman. Magoon was a young lawyer of Lincoln, and was the most prominent Howe man to be found anywhere. McShane was elected to Congress; Howe was overwhelmingly defeated—and the district was strongly Republican. McShane was the first Democrat to go to Congress from Nebraska—and for a while Magoon stood and Howe stood was a long way below par. But to-day Howe is consul at Manchester, England, was somewhere else in the same capacity for years, and I note that Charles Magoon is now Governor of Nebraska. He is the man who said to be one of the biggest men in the public eye. This only shows that if you wait—and have the physical nature to wait long enough—all things will come.

Some one has figured it out that if all the people would quit using tobacco that it would put thousands of acres of land out of commission; that thousands of cigar makers would be forced into other fields; that millions of dollars invested would be put in competition in other lines—therefore, it is proper to chew tobacco and to smoke tobacco, because it gives employment to many people. The same could be said about whiskey. However, I am not going into a discussion as to the propriety of vices or pleasures. I am just going to record a gentle kick against the valentine custom. Of all the useless expenditures of money in this world, I have a half notion that the investment in a comic valentine is the worst. True, it could be argued that they give the printers employment; they swell the postal receipts—but if ever a fool and his money were parted, it seems to me it is when a man deliberately walks up and buys a comic valentine and sends it to his friend or his enemy. They are not works of art; they are not of such a nature that they make the one who receives them the least bit angry; they are so much of a chestnut that they are no longer to be considered among the jokes—and why a man in the full possession of his reason would blow his money for one of them and an envelope and a stamp to send it, is more than I can conjecture. I would not have any one think that I received a dozen or so of them and am

sore. The day passed pleasantly and my mail brought me nothing of the kind. And while a sentimental man might feel the better for having received a dainty valentine with some sentimental verse printed on it—I very much doubt whether it is worth while. There are millions of dollars spent yearly for these things—and what they amount to I cannot comprehend. Viewed in any light, a valentine, comic or sentimental, no matter how artistic, always suggested thirty cents to me, and I hope that I have shattered no idols in thus expressing my opinion of them.

I note that the newspapers of North Carolina, and, as a sequence, the "Citizens," are talking about the result of the verdict of the jury in the Lamb case recently tried at Wilmington. It will be recalled that Lamb was accused of killing a woman—his mistress—and the defense put no witnesses on the stand, argued that some other person than Lamb was the murderer, and the jury was out seventy-nine hours. Seventy-nine hours, it is argued, is a long time for a body of twelve men to deliberate, and the argument is that often in a case like this, it looks as though some members of the jury wanted another verdict than what was finally rendered, but rather than stay out all winter agreed with a majority. And this brings out the declaration of some men that if they were on a jury and believed a man innocent or guilty they would stay until dooms-day but what they returned a verdict in accord with their belief. And possibly that is all right. If I were on a jury and believed from the evidence that a man was innocent I would be there when Gabriel tooted if the court didn't dismiss me—and so, if I thought the person accused guilty.

But what must finally come, and will come, and I believe should come, is a law that will make a majority of a jury furnish the verdict. It is not for me to charge or for you to charge that any jurymen in the world was ever bought or bribed; or even to suggest it—but when one man can hold eleven other men at his mercy, too often there are mistrials where they should be acquittal or conviction. It would seem to be all right for the twelve men to deliberate as long as they thought necessary—and then take the final vote and if seven or eight of them could agree, let that settle it. If there was a minority report in order to bring it in, and in this way there would be a question. In the Lamb case there was nothing irregular charged, but because a jury was out seventy-nine hours the people have been talking. It would have evoked the same comment in any other case. It is all right for "twelve good men and true" to talk it over—but it would seem that the ends of justice could be met if a majority of the jury would agree. This would eliminate the kicker; the yonal man; the narrow-minded man; the prejudiced man. It would give justice a chance and sometimes when the verdict must be unanimous, Justice gets it, as we philosophers would say, in the neck.

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STIRLING, THE ANCESTRAL HOME OF JERDONE FAMILY

Has Been in the Same Family for Century and a Half, and Is Well Preserved—Arms Camped at Its Doors.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) PROVIDENCE FORGE, VA., Feb. 17.—"Stirling," in Charles City county, is one of the few plantations in Eastern Virginia that has not changed the name of its owner since colonial days. It first appears in history as the home of Henry Stoen, whose daughter Elizabeth married Rev. David Mosson, who for twenty years was rector of St. Peter's Church, in New Kent county, and was said to have been the first native-born American admitted to the office of pres-



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biter in the Church of England. During his rectorship he performed the marriage ceremony that made Mrs. Martha Custis and General George Washington one. A handsome slab in the burying-ground of "Stirling" marks the grave of Elizabeth "Susan" Mosson, and, notwithstanding the fact that it has been exposed for nearly a century and a half to the changes of the elements, the date of her death being April, 1759, the inscription is still perfectly legible.

In 1771 "Stirling" was purchased by the late Frances Jerdone, of Louisa county. He never made his home here, preferring to reside at his plantation in Louisa, known as "Jerdone Castle," but gave it

admirable camping ground, and in this capacity it was used repeatedly, first by the Southern army and then by the Northern army, during the war between the States. Perhaps the largest body of troops that has ever camped here at one time was Sheridan's cavalry, as it advanced upon the peninsula at the time of the battle of Malvern Hill. Forty thousand men, including wagons, horses and everything else that accompanies an army, settled down for the night at "Stirling."

Every fence on the place was burned, and every available article of food was consumed. Fortunately, the buildings were all left intact. Over and over was the house searched from basement to attic, not even a bureau drawer being overlooked in the pursuit of booty, but they little dreamed that the family plate, the accumulation of generations, and much of it bearing the ancestral coat-of-arms, lay buried beneath one of the brick floors in the basement, where it remained until peace was restored.

Many curiosities, such as brass and pewter ware and newspapers published during the early history of the country,

also account books kept at Yorktown, Va., in pounds, shillings and pence, by the first member of the family that came to the country from Scotland in 1720, are still kept in a good state of preservation.

SCOTT COUNTY COURT. A Misunderstanding and a Term Missed.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) GATE CITY, VA., Feb. 17.—Mr. John E. Smith, rector of Scott county, who was taken to Louisville, Ky., two months ago for medical treatment, has returned home completely restored to health. He was suffering from a nervous trouble, resulting from overwork, and was in a critical condition when taken to Louisville.

Mrs. Richmond, the wife of ex-Congressman J. B. Richmond, has been critically ill for several weeks, but is improving and believed by her physicians to be on the road to recovery. She is a sister to

The failure to have court this month is a great disappointment, as there is much important business to be disposed of. Many condemnation cases are pending and construction work being held back on the South and Western Railroad as a consequence.



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